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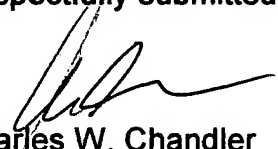
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In response to the Office Action of September 8, 2005, Applicant elects the claims of Invention I, claims 1 – 6 drawn to an apparatus.

Further, in the Office Action, the Examiner noted that a certified copy of the Italian patent application 2003U00000 as required by 35 U.S.C. 119(b) has not been filed. Applicant is in the process of obtaining a certified copy of the application and will forward it to the Examiner when it is received.

Respectfully submitted,



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